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Interview Summary

Application No. 08/716,223	Applicant(s) Van Schouwenburg
Examiner Curtis E. Sherrer	Group Art Unit 1761

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Curtis E. Sherrer (3) Julie Meder

(2) Gerrit Antoni Van Schouwenburg (4) _____

Date of Interview Jun 7, 2000

Type: Telephonic Personal (copy is given to applicant applicant's representative).

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: Yes No. If yes, brief description:

Agreement was reached. Was not reached.

Claim(s) discussed: All claims in general, specifically Claim 1.

Identification of prior art discussed:

Joy of Cooking, Weiss et al, Weiner et al, and Bauer et al.

Description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

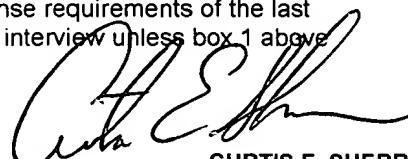
Applicant will consider amending Claim 1 to include the limitations of Claim 4 and a Markush group directed to gluconodeltalacton and encapsulated edible acids (see page 5, lines 23-26). These amendments would overcome the rejections based on Joy of Cooking and Weiner in view of Bauer. Will also consider submitting a declaration, possibly by someone in the industry, comparing and contrasting the claimed invention with that disclosed by Weiss et al. to overcome the 102 rejection. Applicant will consider submitting arguments as to why the claimed invention is not obvious in view of Weiss et al.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments, if available, which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments which would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

1. It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview.

Unless the paragraph above has been checked to indicate to the contrary, A FORMAL WRITTEN RESPONSE TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION IS NOT WAIVED AND MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a response to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW.

2. Since the Examiner's interview summary above (including any attachments) reflects a complete response to each of the objections, rejections and requirements that may be present in the last Office action, and since the claims are now allowable, this completed form is considered to fulfill the response requirements of the last Office action. Applicant is not relieved from providing a separate record of the interview unless box 1 above is also checked.



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ART UNIT 1761

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